

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the amended paragraph submitted on May 21, 2004, as follows:

As an example, assume that the control logic 52 determines that a set of data should be transmitted to a conventional cellular device 17. Prior to transmitting this set of data, the control logic 52 monitors the signals detected by antenna 51. The control logic 52 analyzes these signals and identifies which cellular devices are within a geographic transmission range of the apparatus 50 based on these signals. For example, as previously set forth, the cellular device 17 is configured to periodically transmit a service request signal so that its primary tower 27a may service the device 17, and this service request signal includes the unique identifier of the cellular device 17. If the cellular apparatus 50 of the present invention detects this signal (*i.e.*, detects a service request signal that includes the unique identifier of the device 17), then the control logic 52 determines that the device 17 is within the transmission range of the apparatus 50.

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 16, line 3, as follows:

However, in the present example, the remote device 17 is close enough to the apparatus 50 such that the apparatus 50 receives the service request signals transmitted by the remote device 17. Thus, the control logic 52 should have added the unique identifier of the device 17 to the device list 79 in block 83. Therefore, in block 92, the control logic 52 determines that the device 17 identified by the unique identifier provided or selected by the user of the apparatus 50 is within the transmission range of the apparatus 50. In response, the control logic 52 transmits directly to the device 17 a cellular signal that includes the unique identifier of the device 17 (*i.e.*, the unique identifier provided or selected by the user) and the set of digital data, as indicated by block 97. Since the remote device 17 should be within the transmission range of apparatus 50, the device 17 should receive the foregoing cellular signal, which conforms to the same protocol that would have been used by the tower 27a to communicate a signal to device 17. Thus, when the remote device 17 receives the cellular signal transmitted from the apparatus 50, the remote device 17 processes the signal just as if the signal were transmitted by the tower 27a instead of the apparatus 50.